REX, TOMM! LIKE TO COME TO EDEN WITH ME?
WOW!

JOOMBA... KATEENA... WE'RE GOING TO EDEN!

WE'LL BE BACK IN A WEEK. TAKE CARE OF THINGS.
HAVE A GOOD TIME!
FALK & BARRY 4/10

OUT THROUGH THE SECRET ENTRANCE OF THE DEEP WOODS --INTO DEEP JUNGLE--
WILD BEASTS FLEE FROM THE ADVANCE GUARD OF DEVIL AND KATEENA--

HOW SOON WILL WE GET TO EDEN, UNCLE WALKER?*
SOON, REX, SOON.
FALK & BARRY 4/11
*FOR THE GHOST WHO WALKS.

THE UNUSUAL PROCESSION PASSES THE PEAK CALLED "PHANTOM'S HEAD".
LOOKS JUST LIKE HIM.
YES.

...THE PHANTOM GROVE WHERE WIND WHISPERS IN THE TREES...
PHANTOM PHANTOM--
??

IN THE DISTANCE... THE GLITTERING GOLDEN BEACH OF KEELA-WEE!
FALK & BARRY 4/12

LOOK, THE SIGN! WE'RE ALMOST THERE!
EDEN

THE ISLE OF EDEN... SEPARATED FROM THE JUNGLE BY A WIDE PIRANHA-FILLED RIVER.

...SEPARATED FROM THE OCEAN BY SHARP CORAL MOUNDS.

ON THE ISLAND... EXCITEMENT AMONG THE UNUSUAL FRIENDS WHO LIVE PEACEFULLY TOGETHER.

EDEN!
FALK & BARRY 4/13

HERO AND JOOMBA THE ELEPHANT ARE LEFT IN A THORN CORRAL, PROTECTED BY KATEENA--

REX, KEEP YOUR HAND OUT OF THE WATER! THOSE FISH BITE!
THEY DO! PIRANHA--!
FALK & BARRY 4/14

OLD BALDY--STRIPES--!
EDEN!
TAKE IT EASY, BOYS. GIVE THEM A CHANCE TO GET USED TO YOU.

WOW! AM I GLAD TO BE HERE!
ON THE PHANTOM'S ISLE OF EDEN--
ME TOO!

NEFERTITI--THE BEAUTIFUL!
SOLOMON--THE WISE!

WHAT'S THAT OUT THERE?
HARD TO SEE, IT'S SO FAR--LOOKS LIKE A TANKER--
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FALK & BARRY 4/15
BEGINNING--THE TANKER-JACKERS

FALK & BARRY 4/17
OLD FRIENDS MEET ON THE PHANTOM'S ISLE OF EDEN...
BALDY... ARE YOU HAPPY HERE?
URK...

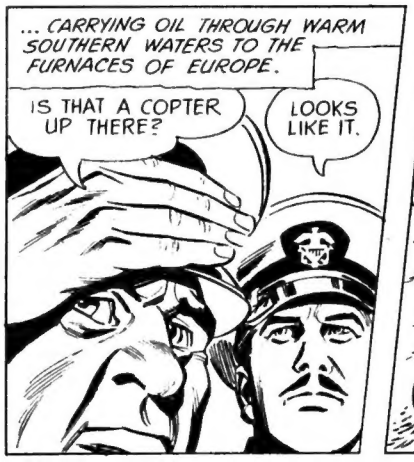
THE BOYS AND THE DOLPHINS...
NEFERTITI... THE BEAUTIFUL!
SOLOMON... THE WISE!

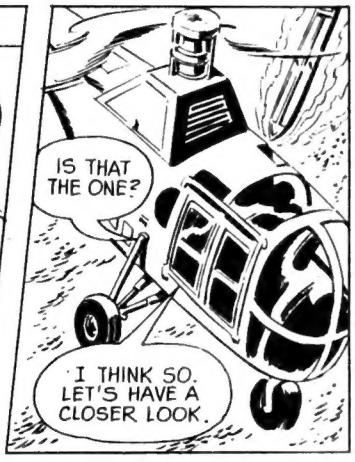
CAN WE HAVE A RACE?
DON'T ASK ME, ASK THEM.

YES, IT'S A TANKER... A WHOPPER.

THE MODERN OIL TANKER--LARGEST SEAGOING VESSEL EVER BUILT BY MAN.
FALK & BARRY 4/18

100,000 TO 500,000 TONS--AS LARGE AS A DOZEN FOOTBALL FIELDS.


... CARRYING OIL THROUGH WARM SOUTHERN WATERS TO THE FURNACES OF EUROPE.
IS THAT A COPTER UP THERE?
LOOKS LIKE IT.


IS THAT THE ONE?
I THINK SO. LET'S HAVE A CLOSER LOOK.

THAT'S IT. THE O.T.--BUTTERCUP. WHAT A NAME FOR A TANKER.
SIGNAL WE'RE READY.
WHAT'S THAT COPTER DOING UP THERE?
FOR ONE THING, SHE'S FLYING.
HEY, CAPTAIN, GETTING A RADIO SIGNAL FROM THAT COPTER.
WHAT DO THEY SAY?
TALK & BARRY 4/19
O.T.--BUTTERCUP, WE'RE ABOUT TO GIVE YOU A DEMONSTRATION.
OF WHAT?
THAT COPTER SENT A RADIO MESSAGE...THEY'RE GIVING US A DEMONSTRATION.
OF WHAT?
READY?
RIGHT. MAKE SURE WE'RE CLEAR FIRST.
TALK & BARRY 4/20
A FIRE BOMB!
WOW--IF THAT HAD HIT US--!
WHAT'S GOING ON OUT THERE?
FASTER, STRIPES, FASTER!
THAT FIRE BOMB WAS OUR DEMONSTRATION--WE HAVE MORE BOMBS.
WHAT DO YOU WANT?
RADIO YOUR HOME OFFICE WHAT YOU'VE JUST SEEN--AT ONCE.
CAPTAIN, WHAT IS ALL THIS?
I DON'T KNOW. DO AS THEY SAY!
TALK & BARRY 4/21
O.T.--BUTTERCUP, CALLING 4-XW56.
RADIO MESSAGE FROM A 500,000-TON OIL TANKER AT SEA...
-TO HALFWAY AROUND THE WORLD--
RADIO MESSAGE, SIR, FROM THE BUTTERCUP IN THE BANGALLA GULF.
?
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TALK & BARRY 4/22
A COPTER DROPPING A FIRE BOMB--- WHAT IS THIS ALL ABOUT?
SIR, A PHONE CALL FOR YOU.
HE'S TOO BUSY.
HE CAN'T TALK TO YOU NOW. CAN YOU GIVE ME THE MESSAGE?
TELEPHONE
37
TELL HIM IT'S ABOUT THE BUTTERCUP--HE'LL TALK TO ME.

AT EDEN -- A PUZZLED PHANTOM WATCHES A SCENE FAR AWAY AT SEA.
WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING AT, UNCLE WALKER?

FIRE BOMB! CAN YOU IMAGINE IF THEY DROP ONE ON US!?
I DON'T WANT TO IMAGINE THAT!

YOU HAVE A MESSAGE ABOUT OUR TANKER? WHO ARE YOU?

TELEPHON
JUST THIS... WE WANT A MILLION IN SMALL BILLS IN ONE HOUR!

IF WE DON'T GET IT, WE'LL FIRE BOMB YOUR OIL TANKER. GOT IT?

CLICK!
TALK & BARRY 4/24

TANKER IS HERE – IN THE BANGALLA GULF. A COPTER WITH THE FIRE BOMB IS ABOVE IT.
IN A EUROPEAN CAPITAL-- AN OIL COMPANY --
WE HAVE 45 MINUTES TO GIVE THEM A MILLION -- OR THEY'LL DROP THE BOMB!
WE HAVE NO CHOICE!

IN AN ASIATIC CAPITAL--
YOU OWN AND LEASE THE TANKER--WE WILL DESTROY IT UNLESS YOU GIVE US ONE MILLION --
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WORD FROM THE HOME OFFICE -- THEY'VE GOT TO COME UP WITH A MILLION DOLLARS OR THAT @☆#!! COPTER WILL BOMB US!
RADIO
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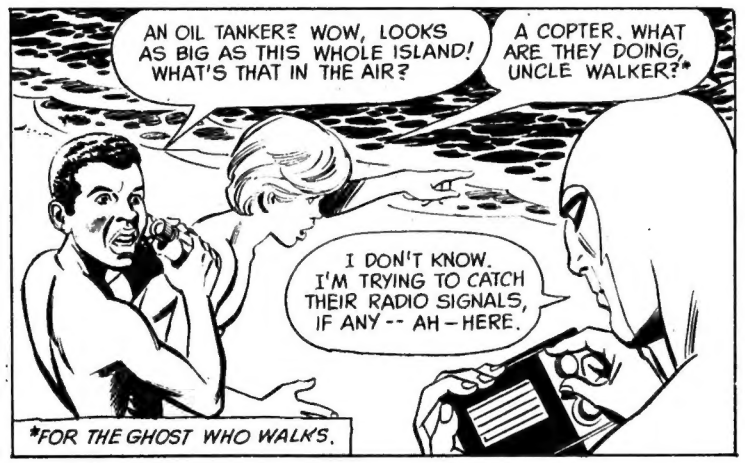

AN OIL TANKER? WOW, LOOKS AS BIG AS THIS WHOLE ISLAND! WHAT'S THAT IN THE AIR?
A COPTER. WHAT ARE THEY DOING, UNCLE WALKER?*
I DON'T KNOW. I'M TRYING TO CATCH THEIR RADIO SIGNALS, IF ANY -- AH – HERE.
*FOR THE GHOST WHO WALKS.

O.T.--BUTTERCUP... YOU HAVE A HALF HOUR!
WE RADIOED OUR OFFICE. WHAT ELSE CAN WE DO?
TALK & BARRY 4/26

UNLESS WE HEAR OTHERWISE, WE DROP FIRE BOMBS IN ONE HALF HOUR. PREPARE TO ABANDON YOUR TANKER.
?!

BANQUE
バンク
IN EUROPE AND ASIA A MILLION IS DRAWN FROM EACH BANK!

HERE'S THE MILLION. WHAT DO WE DO NOW?
WAIT FOR A SECOND PHONE CALL.
TALK & BARRY 4/27

MEANWHILE THE GREAT TANKER AT SEA...
OT BUTTERCUP
PREPARE TO ABANDON SHIP... READY LIFE RAFTS... PUT ON LIFE BELTS...

WE HAVE THE MONEY. WHERE DO YOU WANT IT?
DELIVER IT AS FOLLOWS!

THERE HE IS -- FOLLOW HIM!
NO -- WE CAN'T TAKE THE CHANCE!

CALLING FIREBUG 705 -- CALLING FIREBUG 705 --
FIREBUG 705 -- WE RECEIVE YOU -- COME IN...

DEAL IS OK -- NO BOMBS -- -- REPEAT -- NO BOMBS --
WE RECEIVE -- NO BOMBS --
!!
FALK & BARRY 4/28

CAPTAIN -- HOLD IT -- A MESSAGE FROM THAT ⊙✲⁂!!☆# COPTER!

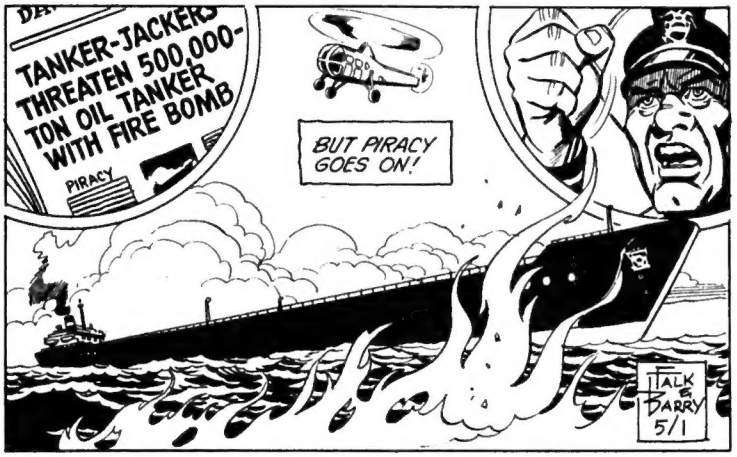
RELAX, O.T. -- BUTTERCUP --- (WHAT A NAME FOR AN OIL TANKER!) NO FIRE BOMBS -- YOU'RE SAFE!
SORRY TO INCONVENIENCE YOU -- SO LONG --

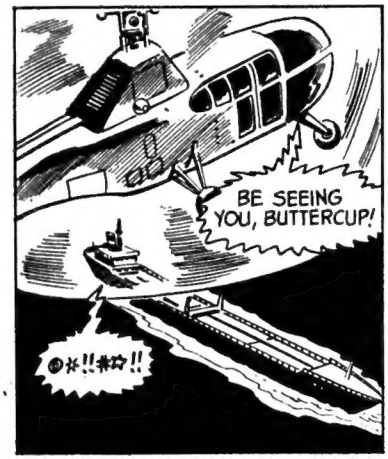
SORRY TO INCONVENIENCE YOU?! YOU #⊙✱!!☆✲!
FALK & BARRY 4/29

-- SORRY TO INCOVENIENCE YOU – SO LONG --
WHAT WAS THAT ALL ABOUT, UNCLE WALKER?*
I'M NOT SURE.
*FOR THE GHOST WHO WALKS.

AS LONG AS MEN HAVE SAILED THE SEAS THERE HAVE BEEN PIRATES --

MANY THINGS CHANGED SINCE THE OLDEN TIMES --


TANKER-JACKERS THREATEN 500,000-TON OIL TANKER WITH FIRE BOMB
PIRACY
BUT PIRACY GOES ON!
FALK & BARRY 5/1

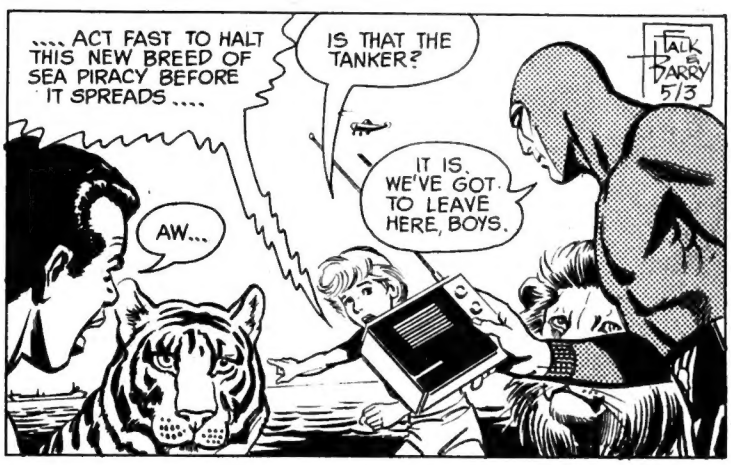

BE SEEING YOU, BUTTERCUP!
⊙✱!!✱☆!!

IMAGINE IF THAT FIRE BOMB HAD HIT US -- 500,000 TONS OF OIL GOING UP!
I CAN'T IMAGINE!

THIS NEW BREED OF PIRATES GOT $2 MILLION CASH NOT TO FIRE-BOMB THE OIL TANKER.
?
SO THAT'S IT!
?
FALK & BARRY 5/2

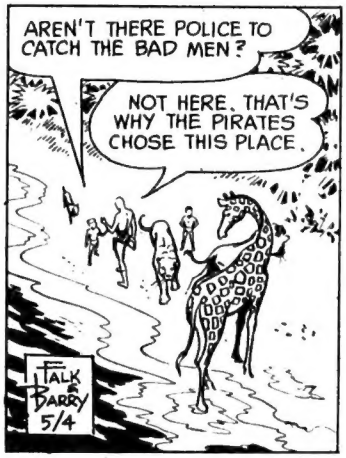
NO CLUES TO "OIL TANKER-JACKERS"
BLACKMAIL GANG GETS $2 MILLION NOT TO FIRE-BOMB 500,000-TON TANKER

THIS FIENDISH THREAT TO FIRE-BOMB A 500,000-TON OIL TANKER AT SEA BOGGLES THE MIND -- AUTHORITIES MUST ACT FAST TO ----


.... ACT FAST TO HALT THIS NEW BREED OF SEA PIRACY BEFORE IT SPREADS ....
IS THAT THE TANKER?
IT IS. WE'VE GOT TO LEAVE HERE, BOYS.
AW...
TALK & BARRY 5/3

WHY DO WE HAVE TO LEAVE EDEN, UNCLE WALKER?* YOU PROMISED US A WEEK.
BECAUSE OF THAT OIL TANKER.
*FOR THE GHOST WHO WALKS.

TIMES CHANGE, METHODS CHANGE... PIRATES REMAIN THE SAME COLD-BLOODED KILLERS.


AREN'T THERE POLICE TO CATCH THE BAD MEN?
NOT HERE. THAT'S WHY THE PIRATES CHOSE THIS PLACE.
TALK & BARRY 5/4

4 CENTURIES AGO, THE PHANTOM LINE WAS FOUNDED TO FIGHT PIRACY AND GREED AND INJUSTICE. TIMES CHANGE BUT THE PHANTOMS FIGHT ON--

GOOD-BYE, NEFERTITI THE BEAUTIFUL.
GOOD-BYE, SOLOMON THE WISE.

GOOD-BYE STRIPES!
GOOD-BYE, BALDY!

GOOD-BYE ALL!
TALK & BARRY 5/5

FAREWELL TO EDEN...

THE PHANTOM LEAVES HIS IDYLLIC ISLE OF EDEN--
TALK & BARRY 5/6

ASHORE--IN THE THORN CORRAL--
KATEENA, YOU'VE TAKEN GOOD CARE OF JOOMBA AND HERO!

HOW CAN YOU FIND THE PIRATES?
I DON'T KNOW YET, REX.

AND SOMEWHERE--
$2. MILLION! WE CAN RETIRE!
ARE YOU KIDDING? WE'RE JUST STARTING!

AS THEY RETURN TO THE DEEP WOODS...
UNCLE WALKER*, WHY DID THE "TANKER-JACKERS" SAY THEY'D DROP A FIRE BOMB?
TO GET MONEY, REX.
FALK & BARRY 5/8
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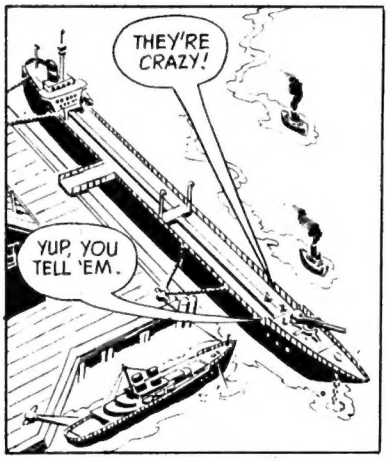
*FOR THE GHOST WHO WALKS.

MEANWHILE – THE OIL COMPANY...
GET NAVAL PATROLS TO ESCORT OUR TANKERS!
WHAT NAVY? IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS?
YOU MEAN WE'RE HELPLESS?
WE'VE GOT TO FIND THE PIRATES! FIRST, ARM THE TANKERS!

WHAT'S THIS?
ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUN, CAPTAIN.

THE COMPANY EXPECTS US TO FIGHT AN AIR WAR SITTING ON A HALF-MILLION TONS OF OIL?
FALK & BARRY 5/9


THEY'RE CRAZY!
YUP, YOU TELL 'EM.

THAT'S RIGHT.. ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUNS, BUT IT'S JUST A BLUFF. THEY DON'T DARE TO USE THEM AGAINST US.

SCHOOLTIME, BOYS.
AW.

PCI CALLING JP222 ... ... ...
PCI CALLING JP222... ... ...

JUNGLE PATROL HEADQUARTERS.
PCI, THIS IS JP222. WE HEAR YOU...
WOW, THE COMMANDER'S SIGNAL! PUT HIM ON THE COLONEL'S PHONE!

YES, COMMANDER? (WHO IS HE?)
COLONEL, GET ALL THE FACTS YOU CAN ON THE OIL TANKER AFFAIR.
FALK & BARRY 5/10
COL. WOROBU, C.O.

JUNGLE PATROL HQ
COLONEL, HERE IS THE INFO FROM OUR EUROPEAN CONTACTS.
GOOD. TELL SPARKS TO REACH THE COMMANDER.

JP222 CALLING PCI... REALLY WEIRD... OUR COMMANDER... NOBODY KNOWS WHO HE IS... JP222 CALLING...
THERE HE IS!
FALK & BARRY 5/11

TANKERS CONTINUE ON SCHEDULE... CHANGING ROUTE SLIGHTLY.
SLIGHTLY ISN'T ENOUGH. ANY NAVAL ESCORT VESSELS?
NONE AVAILABLE... INTERNATIONAL WATERS... TANKERS CARRYING ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUNS...
GUNS ON THE TANKERS -- ARE THEY INSANE?

ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUNS ON AN OIL TANKER?... THEY'RE STARK-RAVING MAD.

... STARK-RAVING MAD. CLICK ...
THAT'S WHAT I THOUGHT.

TAKE CARE OF THE BOYS, MISS TAGAMA. I'LL BE GONE FOR A WHILE.
FALK & BARRY 5/12

WHEN THE PHANTOM MOVES... HE MOVES!

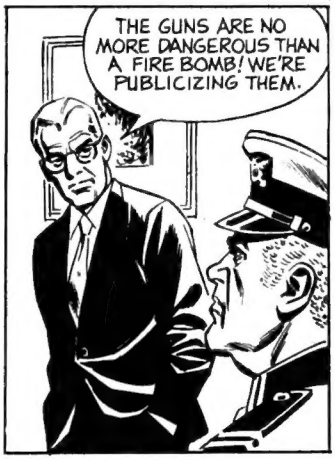
--BLACKMAILING OIL TANKERS WITH THE THREAT OF A FIRE BOMB--"TANKER-JACKERS"--A GOOD NAME FOR THOSE PIRATES!

I'VE GOT TO FIND THEM SOMEHOW, BUT THEY MAY NEVER STRIKE AGAIN!
FALK & BARRY 5/13

???
THE MORI FISHERMEN--OF ALL SEACOAST PEOPLE--THEY KNOW THE OCEAN BEST.

GREETINGS, O GHOST WHO WALKS.
THANK YOU. I'VE COME FOR YOUR HELP.

THE OIL COMPANY OFFICE...
SIR, I MUST PROTEST THE ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUNS ABOARD MY TANKER.
WE'RE SENDING EXPERT GUNNERS WITH YOU, CAPTAIN.
FALK & BARRY 5/15

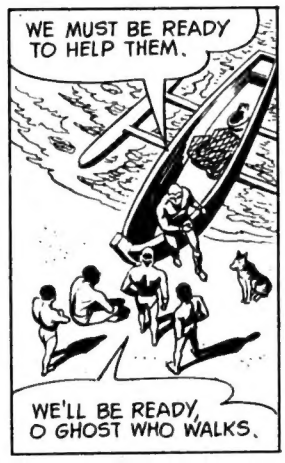

THE GUNS ARE NO MORE DANGEROUS THAN A FIRE BOMB! WE'RE PUBLICIZING THEM.

WE HOPE THE PIRATES... WHEREVER THEY ARE... KNOW WE'RE CARRYING THEM.
WHAT IF THEY DON'T KNOW... OR DON'T CARE?

ARE THEY KIDDING?
TANKERS INSTALL ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUNS TO BATTLE TANKER-JACKERS"

YOU NEED OUR HELP--YOU WHO HAVE HELPED US SO OFTEN?
YES, THERE IS AN EVIL ON THE SEA.
THE MORI FISHERMEN--

GREAT BOATS THAT CARRY OIL THREATENED BY FIRE--IF THIS HAPPENS, MANY MEN WILL LOSE THEIR LIVES.
FALK & BARRY 5/16


WE MUST BE READY TO HELP THEM.
WE'LL BE READY, O GHOST WHO WALKS.

THEY SCARE ME. I'VE GOT TO FLY THAT CRATE!
TANKERS INSTALL ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUNS TO BATTLE "TANKER-JACKERS"

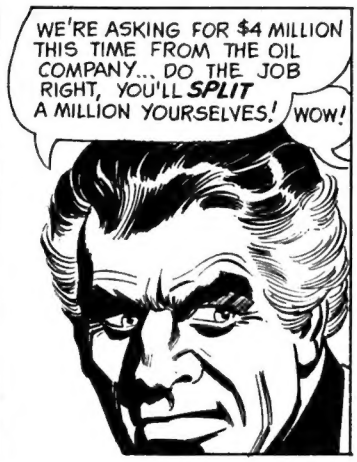
HOW ACCURATE ARE YOU WITH THESE GUNS?
AGAINST A COPTER COMING TO DROP A FIRE BOMB?-- MAYBE NINETY PERCENT.

IF YOU MISS AND THE COPTER DOESN'T, WHAT THEN?
THAT'S SHOW BUSINESS, CAPTAIN!
FALK & BARRY 5/17

THE TANKER JUST CLEARED THE STRAITS. THAT GIVES US TWO HOURS. GET READY, BOYS.
WITH ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUNS?

SO WHAT? THERE'S NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT.
NOT FOR YOU, YOU'RE NOT FLYING.

YOU GUYS CHICKEN?
THIS IS AN EASY TARGET.
AN ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUN COULD KNOCK US INTO THE SEA.


WE'RE ASKING FOR $4 MILLION THIS TIME FROM THE OIL COMPANY... DO THE JOB RIGHT, YOU'LL SPLIT A MILLION YOURSELVES!
WOW!

A MILLION JUST FOR US!
A MILLION FOR THEM? ARE YOU KIDDING, BOSS?
YES.
FALK & BARRY 5/18

THERE'S THE TANKER!

GET READY FAST, HERE THEY COME!

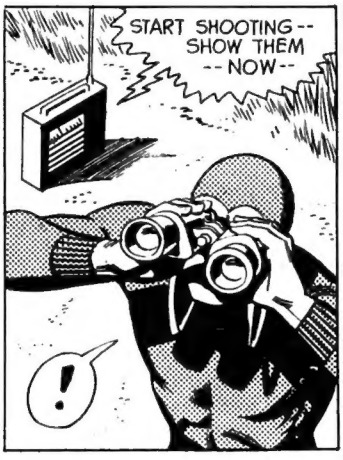
WE'RE READY TO FIRE BOMB YOU-- RADIO YOUR HOME OFFICE...
FALK & BARRY 5/19
NO CHANCE--THIS TIME WE'RE ARMED.

---THIS TIME WE'RE ARMED!
?

FLY ANY CLOSER AND YOU'LL GET THIS!

THEY'RE FIRING, BOSS, WHAT DO WE DO?
SHOW THEM WE'RE NOT BLUFFING-- REMEMBER YOUR MILLION.

FALK & BARRY 5/20
HERE THEY COME-- TAKE AIM!


START SHOOTING-- SHOW THEM --NOW--
!

GOT 'EM!
!
AT SEA... A WEIRD BATTLE... OIL TANKER VERSUS COPTER!

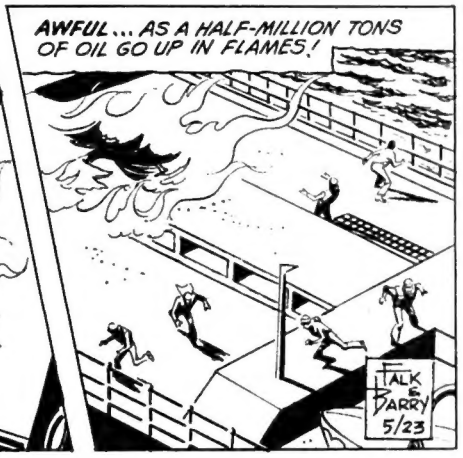
BUT AS THE COPTER FALLS... IT DROPS ITS DEADLY LOAD!
FALK & BARRY 5/22

WHAT IS HAPPENING?
A TERRIBLE THING!! GET YOUR CANOES READY!

AS THE FIRE BOMB STRIKES THE TANKER...
!!

... THE COPTER FALLS INTO THE SEA!

O.T. BUTTERCUP CALLING ... DO YOU HEAR US?... FIRE BOMB HIT THE DECK... OH, IT'S AWFUL ... AWFUL...


AWFUL... AS A HALF-MILLION TONS OF OIL GO UP IN FLAMES!
FALK & BARRY 5/23

ON THE OIL TANKER... FIRE AT SEA!
CAPTAIN, WHAT WILL WE DO?
JUMP, MAN, JUMP!

THE FIRE IS AWFUL... AWFUL... I CAN'T STAY... GOT TO GO!

FALK & BARRY 5/24
O.T. BUTTERCUP

HURRY... THEY NEED US!

THE OIL TANKER... 500,000-TON CARGO ABLAZE AT SEA... A COLUMN OF SMOKE A HALF MILE HIGH!
FALK & BARRY 5/25

I CAN'T SWIM!

THE PHANTOM AND THE MORI FISHERMEN!

I'LL GET HIM -- PULL OUT THE OTHERS!
HELP-- HELP--
PHANTOM AND THE MORI REACH THE TANKER CREW--
FALK & BARRY 5/26

EASY -- YOU'RE OKAY.
EASY?! @*#*!!
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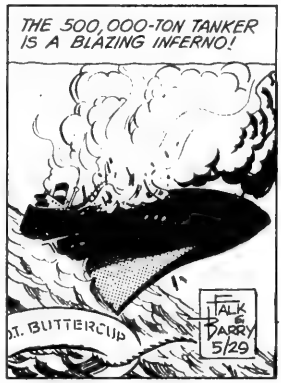
THE BURNING OIL TANKER CAN BE SEEN FOR MILES!
MY SHIP... THE #@*!!

HURRY WITH THIS ONE -- THERE'S ANOTHER MAN OUT THERE WHO NEEDS HELP!
UH -- WHAT -- HAPPENED?
WHAT HAPPENED? LOOK
@#*!!
THE CREW FROM THE FIRE-BOMBED OIL TANKER!

SOMEBODY WILL PAY FOR THIS!

WHO?
FALK & BARRY 5/27

CAP, WHERE ARE THESE GUYS TAKING US?
TO DRY LAND, MAN!
THE PHANTOM AND THE MORI RESCUE THE TANKER CREW...


THE 500,000-TON TANKER IS A BLAZING INFERNO!
T. BUTTERCUP
FALK & BARRY 5/29

HERE THEY COME! THEY ARE SAFE!
SOME ARE SAFE.

BACK TO SHORE FAST. THESE MEN NEED CARE.
WHAT ABOUT THEM IN THE MAN-BIRD?

THOSE *@☆m! DROPPED THE FIRE BOMB! OUR GUNS GOT THEM -- THEY'RE GONE!

GONE TOO... THE GREAT TANKER AND ITS 500,000-TON CARGO OF OIL!
FALK & BARRY 5/30

A TRANS-OCEAN PLANE NEARS THE BLAZING GIANT TANKER.
TALK & BARRY 5/31

LOOK AT THAT!
WOW, UPDRAFT!
TREMENDOUS HEAT MAKES THE PLANE BOUNCE!

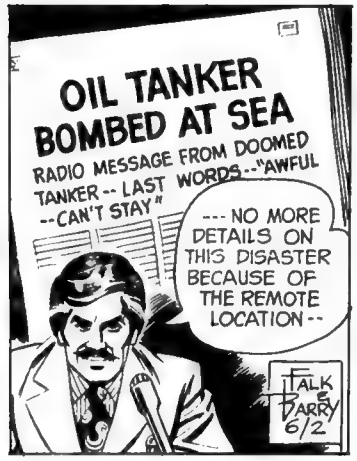
THE PLANE LOWERS AND CIRCLES THE BURNING WRECK... AND HEADS ON.

PHOTOS TAKEN FROM PASSENGER PLANE
OIL TANKER BOMBED AT SEA
RADIO MESSAGE FROM DOO
TANKER--LAST WORDS--"AWFU
--CAN'T STAY--"

DRY LAND-- NEVER THOUGHT I'D SEE IT AGAIN.
AS THE PHANTOM AND THE MORI BRING THE TANKER CREW ASHORE.
...COCONUT MILK.
GOOD!

GOT TO GET BACK... THOSE *@%#!
EASY, CAPTAIN, YOU'RE IN SHOCK-- IT'S TOO LATE TO HELP YOUR SHIP.
TALK & BARRY 6/1

MEN IN MAN-BIRD MADE FIRE? WHY?
BANDITS ... FOR MONEY.


OIL TANKER BOMBED AT SEA
RADIO MESSAGE FROM DOOMED TANKER -- LAST WORDS--"AWFUL --CAN'T STAY"
--- NO MORE DETAILS ON THIS DISASTER BECAUSE OF THE REMOTE LOCATION--
TALK & BARRY 6/2

SIR, ARE THESE THE SAME "TANKER-JACKERS" YOU PAID OFF BEFORE?
WE THINK SO. WE TRIED TO FIGHT THEM--

WHO DID THIS? ANY IDEAS?
NO CLUES-- NOTHING!

THEY GOT OUR GUYS --AND OUR BIRD--
YEAH, BUT THEY'LL THINK TWICE BEFORE SHOOTING US DOWN AGAIN!
IN A SECRET HIDEOUT--

THE CREW OF THE OIL TANKER...
WE LOST TWO MEN. THE REST OF US ARE LUCKY-- THANKS TO YOU AND THESE MARVELOUS PEOPLE.
--A BOAT WILL BE COMING SOON, CAPTAIN.
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STILL BURNING! HOW WILL WE STOP THIS TERRIBLE THING?
TALK & BARRY 6/3
WE'LL FIND A WAY.

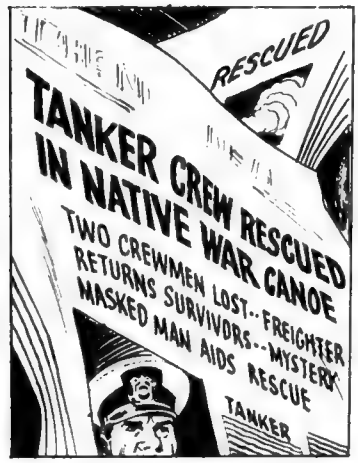
THE NEXT TIME THEY SEND A TANKER-- THEY WON'T BE SO QUICK TO START SHOOTING.
RIGHT, BOSS!

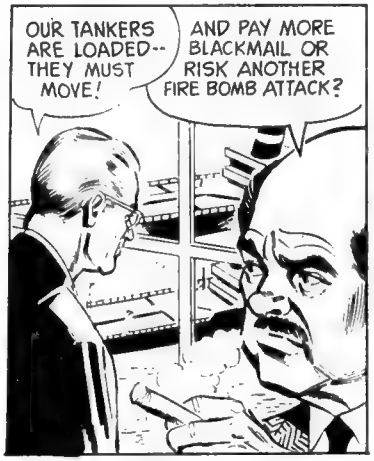
A FREIGHTER NEAR THE BURNING TANKER AT SEA...
THAT'S THE FIRE WE HEARD ABOUT ON THE RADIO.
AWFUL!

HELLO THERE!
??
TALK & BARRY 6/5

THE CREW OF THE TANKER IS ASHORE. CAN YOU GIVE THEM A LIFT?

THANKS FOR EVERYTHING... THOSE @☆#@! PIRATES --
CAPTAIN, WE'LL FIND THEM SOMEHOW.


RESCUED
TANKER CREW RESCUED IN NATIVE WAR CANOE
TWO CREWMEN LOST--FREIGHTER RETURNS SURVIVORS--MYSTERY MASKED MAN AIDS RESCUE TANKER


OUR TANKERS ARE LOADED-- THEY MUST MOVE!
AND PAY MORE BLACKMAIL OR RISK ANOTHER FIRE BOMB ATTACK?

WE CAN CHANGE OUR ROUTES...
THEY'D FOLLOW US WHEREVER WE GO...

WHERE?
THEN WHAT? EUROPE FREEZES WITHOUT OIL, AND WE GO BANKRUPT?!
STOP SHOUTING... WE'VE GOT TO FIND THE PIRATES SOMEHOW!
TALK & BARRY 6/6

OIL TANKER CREW ARRIVES!
BC

GLAD YOU MADE IT HOME SAFELY, CAPTAIN.
A FEW DIDN'T, SIR.

WHAT NOW, CAPTAIN? NO TANKER CREW WILL SAIL UNTIL WE FIND THOSE AIR PIRATES.
TALK & BARRY 6/7

I'VE GOT NO ANSWERS. THERE'S A MASKED MAN OUT THERE, MAYBE HE HAS.
MASKED MAN?

THE PAPERS MENTIONED A "MYSTERY MASKED MAN" --WHO WAS HE?
I DON'T KNOW... BUT HE WAS MARVELOUS... DIRECTED THE RESCUE.

HIS LAST WORDS TO ME WERE..."WE'LL FIND THOSE PIRATES SOMEHOW"
CAPTAIN, DO YOU SUGGEST WE WAIT FOR HIM?--
TALK & BARRY 6/8

AN UNKNOWN MASKED MAN... IN THE MIDDLE OF NOWHERE... WHILE OUR BILLIONS ARE TIED UP?
IF YOU HAVE A BETTER IDEA -- DO IT.

SEND IT TO ALL THE JUNGLE.
PHANTOM ASKS-- HAVE YOU SEEN MAN-BIRD?

PHANTOM ASKS--HAVE YOU SEEN MAN-BIRD?
THE WORD GOES OUT--
TALK & BARRY 6/9

AND THE WORD COMES BACK.
NO--NO--NO--

NO NEWS! THOSE PIRATES MUST BE SOMEWHERE IN THIS AREA.
IT IS SAD--THAT FIRE AND OIL RUINED OUR OYSTER BEDS.
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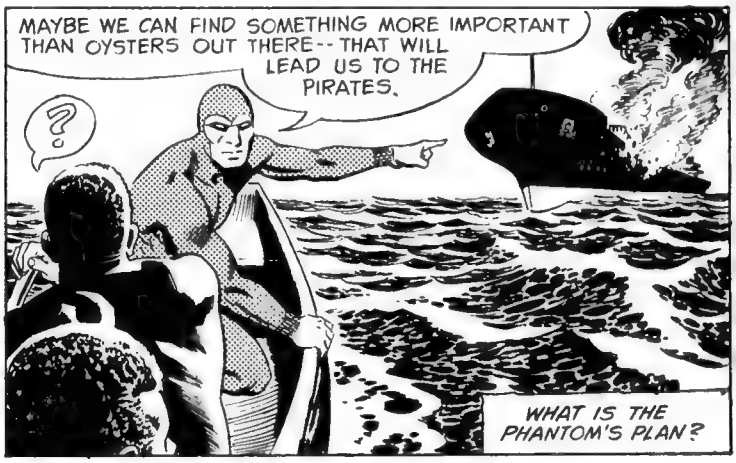
WHAT? SAY THAT AGAIN!
THE FIRE WAS OVER OUR OYSTER BEDS--
WHY IS THE PHANTOM SO EXCITED?

YOUR OYSTER BEDS ARE OUT THERE--WHERE THE MAN-BIRD MADE THE FIRE?
YES, WE FEAR THEY ARE RUINED.

I THOUGHT THAT WAS DEEP OCEAN THERE.
NOT TOO DEEP FOR OUR DIVERS.
TALK & BARRY 6/10


MAYBE WE CAN FIND SOMETHING MORE IMPORTANT THAN OYSTERS OUT THERE--THAT WILL LEAD US TO THE PIRATES.
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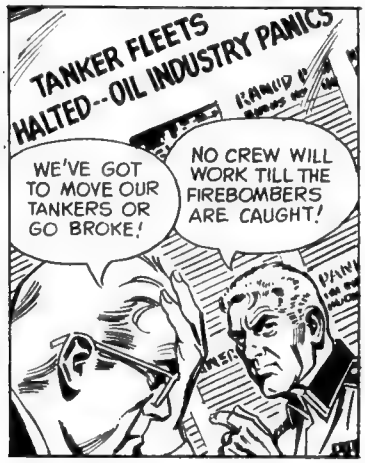
WHAT IS THE PHANTOM'S PLAN?


TANKER FLEETS HALTED--OIL INDUSTRY PANICS
WE'VE GOT TO MOVE OUR TANKERS OR GO BROKE!
NO CREW WILL WORK TILL THE FIREBOMBERS ARE CAUGHT!

SORRY, THE CHAIRMAN IS BUSY.
TELEPHONE
HE'LL TALK TO ME... ABOUT FIREBOMBS!

WANT TO MOVE YOUR FLEET? FOR A MILLION A MONTH AND NO FIREBOMBS...
THINK IT OVER...
HELLO... HELLO...

A MILLION A MONTH? BLACKMAIL!
BLACKMAIL IS BETTER THAN FIREBOMBS... WE'RE HELPLESS... WE MUST DO IT.
TALK & BARRY 6/12

THE OIL TANKER... STILL HOT AFTER A WEEK!
OUR OYSTER BEDS JUST BELOW MUST BE RUINED.

YOU WILL DIVE WITH US? WHAT DO YOU SEARCH FOR, O GHOST WHO WALKS?
THE MAN-BIRD.
TALK & BARRY 6/13

ON THE MORI OYSTER BEDS... THE "TANKER-JACKER" COPTER.

GET ROPES AND MORE CANOES... WE WILL PULL IT UP.

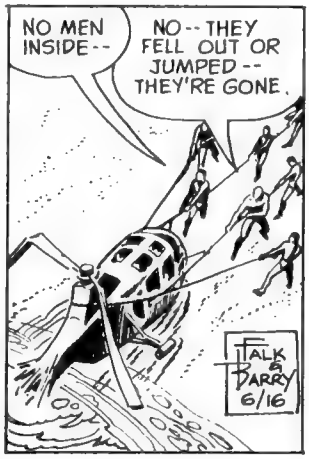
NOW--PULL--PULL!
FALK & BARRY 6/14

THE PHANTOM AND THE MORI PULL UP THE COPTER...
YAH... YAH...
PULL.. PULL!
HERE IT COMES.

WOW – THE DEAL IS SET! WE GET A MILLION A MONTH SO WE WON'T DROP ANY MORE FIREBOMBS!
WE DID IT!

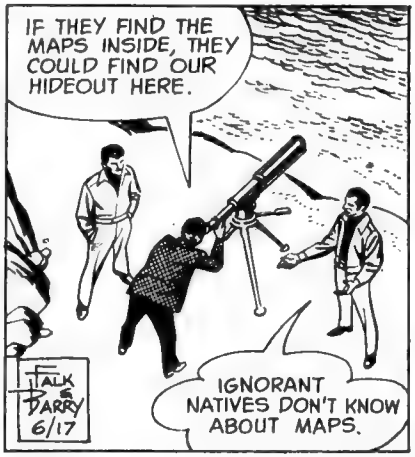
ALL WE DO IS WATCH THE TANKERS GO BY AND COLLECT--- IF THEY STOP PAYMENT-- WHAM, DROP A BOMB!
HEY!
FALK & BARRY 6/15

THOSE-- NATIVES PULLED UP THE COPTER.
SO WHAT? IT WAS SHOT DOWN --IT'S NO GOOD ANY MORE.
NO GOOD? YOU CLUCK-- IT'S GOT MAPS IN IT MARKED WITH THIS LOCATION!


NO MEN INSIDE--
NO-- THEY FELL OUT OR JUMPED -- THEY'RE GONE.
FALK & BARRY 6/16

HOW CAN THIS FLY?-- IMPOSSIBLE.
WHAT DO YOU WISH WITH IT?
I WISH TO FIND SOMETHING INSIDE-- MAPS.

HOW CAN THAT CLUMSY THING FLY LIKE A BIRD?
WE SAW IT.
WHAT DO YOU SEARCH FOR?
MAPS THAT MIGHT LEAD US TO THE HIDDEN BASE OF THE PIRATES.


IF THEY FIND THE MAPS INSIDE, THEY COULD FIND OUR HIDEOUT HERE.
IGNORANT NATIVES DON'T KNOW ABOUT MAPS.
FALK & BARRY 6/17

WE'LL JUST MAKE SURE-- DROP A FIREBOMB AND FINISH THAT COPTER FOR GOOD!

BOSS, WHY GET HET UP? THOSE NATIVES CAN'T READ MAPS.
NO, BUT SOME #@#☆!! MISSIONARY OR TRADER MIGHT STICK HIS NOSE IN. OPEN THE HANGAR.

FALK & BARRY 6/19

I'LL KNOCK OFF THAT COPTER FOR GOOD... JUST IN CASE THOSE MAPS ARE STILL THERE.

I FOUND MAPS! MAYBE THEY'LL SHOW THE PIRATES' HIDDEN BASE!
??

ON THESE MAPS... YOU SEE, WE ARE HERE.
WHERE? I DO NOT UNDERSTAND.
IT IS LIKE A DRAWING, FOOLISH ONE.

--THAT IS THE BEACH -- THAT IS THE OCEAN. NO, THIS DOESN'T HELP. MAYBE ANOTHER ONE WILL.
FALK & BARRY 6/20

YES, I THINK THIS ONE SHOWS THE----
PHANTOM! LOOK!
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RUN!
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FALK & BARRY 6/21
THE "TANKER-JACKERS!" AIR PIRATES!
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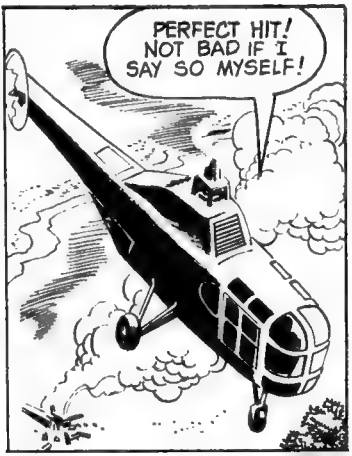
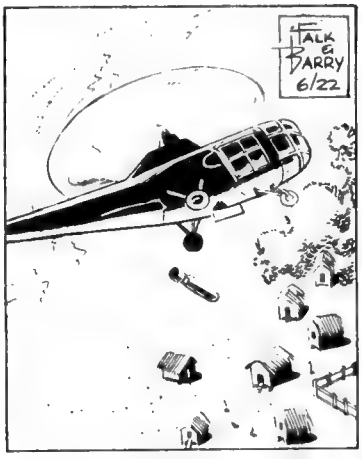

PERFECT HIT! NOT BAD IF I SAY SO MYSELF!

LOOK AT IT BURN! NOBODY WILL FIND THOSE MAPS NOW.
RIGHT! HEY! WHY ARE YOU TURNING BACK?


FALK & BARRY 6/22

HEY, BOSS - WHY DID YOU DO THAT?
I NEEDED PRACTICE -- LOOK AT THEM RUN!

THE "TANKER-JACKER" AIR PIRATES VISIT THE MORI VILLAGE.

YOU JUST WANTED TO BURN UP THE COPTER AND THE MAPS -- WHY THE HUTS?
I FELT LIKE IT!

THOSE ARE THE BAD ONES WHO MADE THE FIRE AT SEA?
TALK & BARRY 6/23
YES, THE "TANKER-JACKERS". --THEY CAME BACK TO DESTROY THESE MAPS, BUT THEY WERE TOO LATE --WE HAVE THEM!

THEY CAME TO DESTROY THE MAN-BIRD -- WHY DID THEY SET OUR HUTS ON FIRE?
BAD MEN. THIS WAS THEIR IDEA OF SPORT!
SPORT! THEY ARE EVIL!

YES, EVIL! THEY SAW US PULL THE COPTER FROM THE SEA -- PROBABLY THROUGH A TELESCOPE.
THAT MEANS THEIR HIDE-OUT MAY BE NEAR.

IT MEANS THEIR HIDEOUT MAY BE HERE!
IMPOSSIBLE!
TALK & BARRY 6/24

THE HIDEOUT OF THE "TANKER-JACKERS" AND THE MAN-BIRD MUST BE HERE... GOONEY ROCK.
IMPOSSIBLE. NOTHING LIVES THERE, NOT EVEN GOONEY BIRDS.
TALK & BARRY 6/26

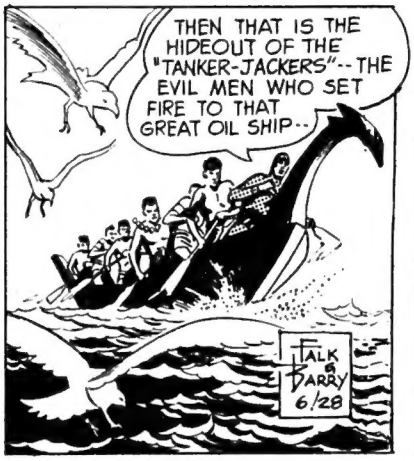
TOO FAR TO SEE... IT IS ONLY A LARGE ROCK IN THE WATER.
PERHAPS I CAN SEE IT.
HOW CAN ANYONE LIVE THERE OR EVEN HIDE THERE?
?

NOTHING CAN HIDE ON GOONEY ROCK... NOT EVEN A BIRD...
WHERE ELSE COULD THE HIDEOUT BE?
WHEN I WAS A BOY, WE JOURNEYED THERE TO GATHER GOONEY EGGS.
WHO CARES WHAT YOU DID?

WE SEEK NOT GOONEY EGGS, BUT EVIL MEN!
WAIT! NOTHING CAN HIDE ON THE ROCK..
TALK & BARRY 6/27

BUT INSIDE THE ROCK! THERE WAS A CAVE.
A CAVE! COME!

HOW BIG IS THE CAVE ON GOONEY ROCK? BIG ENOUGH FOR THAT MAN-BIRD YOU SAW?
BIG ENOUGH FOR MANY.


THEN THAT IS THE HIDEOUT OF THE "TANKER-JACKERS"-- THE EVIL MEN WHO SET FIRE TO THAT GREAT OIL SHIP--
FALK & BARRY 6/28

--AND WHO BURNED OUR HUTS!
ON TO GOONEY ROCK!

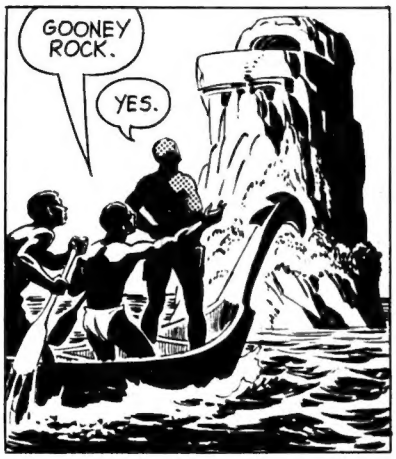
INSIDE "GOONEY ROCK."
OIL TANKERS WILL COME THROUGH THIS PASSAGE AGAIN. WE'LL WISH THEM BON VOYAGE.
THE COMPANIES PAY US A MILLION A MONTH NOT TO FIRE BOMB THEM!
HOW LONG DO WE STAY?

A COUPLE OF MONTHS UNTIL WE'RE SURE THEY PAY OFF-- THEN WE CAN CLOSE UP SHOP.

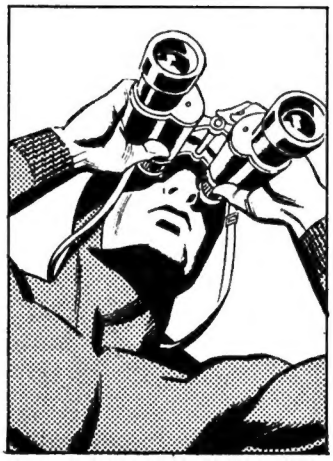
AND THE PAYOLA CHECKS KEEP COMING IN!
HEY! THERE'S A CANOE OUT THERE!
FALK & BARRY 6/29

A BIG CANOE OUT THERE!
CLOSE THE DOOR!
FALK & BARRY 6/30

THEY COME TOO CLOSE AND I'LL LET THEM HAVE IT!


GOONEY ROCK.
YES.

HOLD UP-- LET ME HAVE A LOOK UP THERE.
NEAR "GOONEY ROCK"--



I THINK ONE OF THEM HAS FIELD GLASSES -- I'M NOT SURE.
FALK & BARRY 7/1
WE WON'T WAIT TO MAKE SURE. IF THEY GET ANY CLOSER I'LL BLAST THEM OUT OF THE WATER.

THE BIG OIL TANKER IN PORT...
SO YOU'RE PAYING BLACKMAIL TO THOSE ✱@#☆!! PIRATES!
NO MORE FIRE BOMBS, CAPTAIN. BON VOYAGE.

A MILLION A MONTH BLACKMAIL! THAT'S MONEY!
CHEAP AT THE PRICE. THE FIRST PAYOFF IS RIGHT NOW.

FALK & BARRY 7/3

THERE HE GOES. EASY TO NAB HIM...
NO, LET HIM GO. THOSE ARE OUR ORDERS... MADDENING!

THAT CANOE IS TOO CLOSE... I'M GONNA DROP A COUPLE GRENADES IN THEIR LAPS.
WAIT!

I WILL GO ON ALONE...GO BACK, MEN OF MORI.
THEY BURNT OUR HUTS. WE GO WITH YOU, O GHOST WHO WALKS.
FALK & BARRY 7/4

NO, THEY HAVE SENTRIES -- HEAVILY ARMED -- WE WOULD ALL BE DESTROYED.

TURN BACK NOW... I GO ON ALONE.
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I DISLIKE LETTING THE PHANTOM GO THERE ALONE.
IT IS HIS WISH.

HEY, THEY'RE GOING BACK-- I THINK I'LL DROP A GRENADE IN THEIR LAPS JUST FOR LUCK.
NO!

NOBODY KNOWS WE'RE HERE.
SO? NOBODY'LL LIVE TO TELL THE TALE.

YOU'RE A BLOOD-THIRSTY ©✱#@!!
ME? I JUST LIKE GOOD CLEAN FUN.
FALK & BARRY 7/5

AW, CAN'T I JUST SHOOT ONE GRENADE AT THEM?
COME INSIDE, CRAZY.

MAN, YOU'RE TRIGGER-HAPPY.
ME? I LIKE EXCITEMENT... AND TARGET PRACTICE.

FALK & BARRY 7/6

AN HOUR UNTIL DARK... I'LL WAIT.

WHERE IS THE PHANTOM?
HE WENT THERE ALONE.
ALONE? THOSE EVIL MEN WILL KILL HIM!
KILL THE MAN WHO CANNOT DIE?

ALL WE GOT TO DO NOW IS WATCH THE TANKERS GO BY.
AND COLLECT A MILLION A MONTH.

NIGHT--AT GOONEY ROCK.
FALK & BARRY 7/7

FALK & BARRY 7/8
IN A EUROPEAN CAPITAL--THE OIL TANKER PAYOFF.

GOOD! WE JUST GOT THE FIRST MILLION IN CASH!
BEAUTIFUL--A MILLION EVERY MONTH!

WHO WANTS TO JOIN ME IN SOME FRESH AIR?
NOT ME. I'M GOING TO DREAM HOW I SPEND MY SHARE!

DON'T COUNT YOUR CHICKENS!
ARE YOU KIDDING? THEY'VE ALREADY HATCHED!

IT'S GREAT TO GET A MILLION A MONTH, BUT HOW CAN YOU SPEND IT ON THIS ROCK?
THE OTHER GUYS WILL SPELL US, STUPID.
THEY CAN'T GET HERE SOON ENOUGH TO SUIT ME!
FALK & BARRY 7/10

YOU'RE NOT HAPPY IN THIS TROPICAL PARADISE?
ARE YOU KIDDING?

MAN, YOU CAN HAVE IT--UHH--

UHH...UMPH--
HEY--WHAT WAS THAT?
?

GENE!

GENE!
FALK & BARRY 7/11

?!

ROLL HIM OVER.
WHAT HAPPENED TO GENE?
FALK & BARRY 7/12

WHAT'S THAT ON HIS JAW? LIKE A SKULL MARK!
?!

SOMETHING WEIRD--OUT THERE--!
SHUT THAT DOOR!
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ON "GOONY ROCK"
SOMEBODY--SHOT MY GUN FROM MY HAND--SOMETHING'S OUT THERE!
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THE "SOMETHING" SUDDENLY APPEARS!
FALK & BARRY 7/13

!!?

DON'T REACH FOR THAT... OR THE NEXT BULLET IS FOR YOU!

WE GOT ORDERS TO PICK UP THE OIL TANKER FIRE-BOMBERS.
THEY'RE COMING IN BY AIR.
JUNGLE PATROL

HERE THEY COME..

FALK & BARRY 7/14
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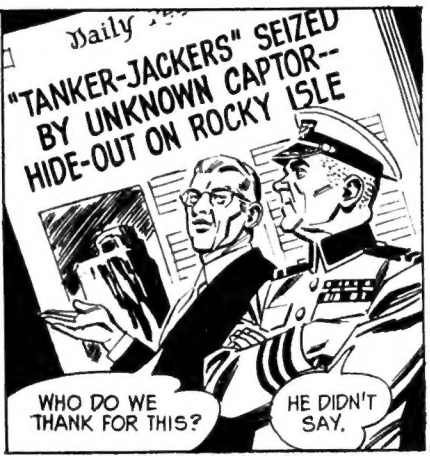
HERE'S A NOTE... IT SAYS, "ALL YOURS."
WHO'S IN THERE?
COULDN'T SEE.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"TANKER-JACKERS" SEIZED BY UNKNOWN CAPTOR--HIDE-OUT ON ROCKY ISLE
WHO DO WE THANK FOR THIS?
HE DIDN'T SAY.

FALK & BARRY 7/15
ONCE MORE HUGE OIL TANKERS SAIL SAFELY, CARRYING FUEL FOR EUROPE'S HUNGRY FURNACES.

GOODBYE, PHANTOM--
GOODBYE--
HE SAID WE COULD SELL IT--TO PAY FOR OUR BURNED HUTS--
NEXT WEEK: NEW ADVENTURE